

**SPECIAL MEETING of the Town Council held Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in Town Council Chambers, 105 Harrisville Main St., Harrisville, for and within the Town of Burrillville.**

**PRESENT: Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor David J. Place arrived at 7:50 P.M.**

**MEMBERS ABSENT: None**

**Consideration and action relative to proposed FY2013 Burrillville Budgets**

**1. Property Tax Stabilization Program**

**The proposal to appropriate money from the debt reduction fund, to be applied to the FY2013 and FY2014 budgets, was reviewed and discussed, as was a recommendation to transfer some funds from the capital program to the operating budget.**

**MOTION to appropriate the sum of \$387,481 from the “Debt Reduction Fund” (account #3880) to be applied against the FY2013 Operating Budget to lower the property tax impact.**

**Motion by Councilor Kevin D. Heitke. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley.**

**The motion failed, three in favor, three opposed, one absent. Voting in favor of the motion were Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley and Kevin D. Heitke. Voting in opposition were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson and Edward J. Blanchard. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**MOTION to add an additional \$50,000 to the debt reduction fund, on account #3880, for a total of \$437,481.**

**Motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor Edward J. Blanchard.**

**Discussion: There was discussion of the need to clarify the motion.**

**Councilor Edward J. Blanchard withdrew the second.**

**VOTED to appropriate the sum of \$437,481 from the “Debt Reduction Fund” (account #3880) to be applied against the FY2013 Operating Budget to lower the property tax impact.**

**Motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. Seconded by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard,**

**Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**VOTED to appropriate the sum of \$307,500 from the “Debt Reduction Fund” (account #3880) to be applied against the FY2014 Operating Budget to lower the property tax impact.**

**Motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. Seconded by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

## **2. Merger of Services and Administrative Reorganizations**

**Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, reported on the steps taken by the administration to develop proposals for merging services, as directed by the Town Council. Mr. Wood indicated that there were two potential programs. One plan would merge maintenance and construction of school, town and other municipal functions, with the exception of the Sewer Department. The second plan would reorganize parks and recreation services under the Department of Public Works.**

**VOTED to merge the town and school maintenance and construction functions and services.**

**Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**Discussion: There was discussion of the proposal to merge Public Works and Parks and Recreation, including administrative reorganizations of the Spring Lake Beach and Burrillville Extended Care programs.**

**VOTED to merge Public Works and Parks and Recreation, including administrative reorganizations of the Spring Lake Beach and Burrillville Extended Care programs.**

**Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley.**

**Discussion: There was further discussion of the proposal and the impact on parks and recreation. There was suggestion that the merging of departments could be evaluated after a year's trial.**

**The motion carried, five in favor, one opposed and one absent. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and**

**Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor Edward J. Blanchard voted in opposition. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

### **3. Deliberations relative to proposed FY2013 budgets**

**There was review and discussion of the June 8, 2012 memorandum from Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, to the Town Council, listing potential budget alternatives. A copy of the memorandum is on file with the record of the meeting.**

### **4. Consider and act on amendments to the FY2013 budget recommendation**

**VOTED to remove the \$20,000 savings currently from The Trust revised health numbers.**

**Motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson . Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**VOTED to remove in its entirety the incentive compensation of**

**\$40,000 for this year.**

**Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees . Seconded by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard. The motion carried, four in favor, two opposed. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilors Margaret L. Dudley and Kevin D. Heitke voted in opposition. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**VOTED to reduce the contingency fund by \$20,000.**

**Motion by Councilor Edward J. Blanchard. Seconded by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. The motion carried, four in favor, two opposed and one absent. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilors Margaret L. Dudley and Kevin D. Heitke voted in opposition. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**MOTION to reduce public works road maintenance by \$5,000.**

**Motion by Councilor Stephen N. Rawson. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The motion failed, three in favor, three opposed and one absent. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees and Stephen N.**

**Rawson. Councilors Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley and Kevin D. Heitke voted in opposition. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**VOTED to eliminate the police car for this year at \$32,170.**

**Motion by Councilor Edward J Blanchard . Seconded by Councilor Kevin D. Heitke. The vote was unanimous by the six members present. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor David J. Place was not present at the time of the vote.**

**Council President Nancy F. Binns requested that the Town Council consider adding funds to the School Department budget.**

**Note: Councilor David J. Place arrived at this point in the meeting.**

**Discussion: There was discussion of the School Department budget.**

**VOTED to appropriate \$150,000 in a side contingency fund for use by the school department to offset their fuel oil costs; this money to be funded from the undesignated, unreserved account.**

**Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The motion carried, six in favor, one opposed. Voting**

**in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke and Stephen N. Rawson. Councilor David J. Place voted in opposition.**

**5. VOTED to adjourn at 8:28 P.M.**

**Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Edward J. Blanchard, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, David J. Place and Stephen N. Rawson.**

**The meeting was recorded.**

**Louise R. Phaneuf, Town Clerk**